GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3357
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ILLEGAL MINING BY KUDREMUKH IRON ORE COMPANY .
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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited is illegally expanding the Mining Areas;

(b) if so, the facts thereof;

(c) whether the Forest Department of Karnataka has booked a case against the said Company;

(d) if so, whether the Government propose to take steps to stop illegal mining activities of the company; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a)&(b) No instance of any illegal expansion of mining area by Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited(KIOCL)has been brought to the notice of the Department of Mines and Ministry of Steel, which administratively controls KIOCL .

(c) Ministry of Steel has informed that KIOCL has not received any notice of booking of any case against the Company by the State Forest Department.

(d)&(e) In view of (c) above, do not arise.